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Sir:

In response to the Action dated July 27, 2006, please reconsider the claims in light of the following Remarks.

REMARKS

Claims 1-5, 8-13, 16 and 18-20 stand rejected under 35 USC 103(a) on Constantinof (EP 0920234, hereinafter, "D1") in view of Chen (U.S. Patent No. 6,487,170). Applicants respectfully traverse this rejection.

Claim 1 recites, "controlling a connection function which is carried out by a second functional unit in the communications network, the second functional unit providing supplementary features and controlling connections between the at least one first functional units via signaling." Neither D1 nor Chen, alone or in combination, discloses or suggests such features.